

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant :	Jun Koyama et al.	Art Unit :	2629
Serial No. :	10/705,827	Examiner :	Lun-Yi Lao
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Title :	DISPLAY DEVICE AND DRIVING METHOD OF THE SAME		

Mail Stop Amendment

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REPLY TO ACTION OF MARCH 23, 2006

In response to the action of March 23, 2006, applicants asks that all claims be allowed in view of the following remarks. Claims 1-44 are currently pending, of which claims 1, 2, 13, 20, 21 and 32 are independent.

Provisional Non-Statutory Double Patenting Rejections

Claims 1-44 have been provisionally rejected as obvious over claims 1-16 of applicant's co-pending Application No. 10/118,917 (which issued as U.S. Patent No. 7,027,074 on April 11, 2006) in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,339,422 (Kuwajima). Without conceding obviousness, applicant respectfully requests that this provisional rejection be held in abeyance until the claims of this application are otherwise held to be allowable.

Claims 1-44 also have been provisionally rejected as obvious over claims 1-26 of applicant's co-pending Application No. 10/385,712 in view of Kuwajima. Without conceding obviousness, applicant respectfully requests that these provisional rejections be held in abeyance until the claims of both this application and those in Application No. 10/385,712 are otherwise held to be allowable.

Rejection of Claims 1-8, 11-16, 19-27, 30-35 and 38-44

Claims 1-8, 11-16, 19-27, 30-35 and 38-44 have been rejected as being unpatentable over Tanabe (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0011626) in view of Yamada (U.S. Patent No. 5,990,629). Applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection because neither Tanabe, Yamada nor any proper combination of the references describes or suggests the subject matter of independent claims 1, 2, 13, 20, 21 and 32.